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Practice Areas

Business
Tax
Tax-Exempt Organizations
Trusts and Estates
Business Succession Planning
Charitable Planning
Estate Planning
Estate Settlement
Philanthropy

Education

Boston University School of Law

LLM, Taxation (Estate Planning Concentration), 2010

Suffolk University School of Law

J.D., *cum laude*, 2007

University of Notre Dame

B.A., Political Science and Computer Applications, 2004

Admissions

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, 2007

Boston Bar Association

Practice Focus

Matt's practice focuses on the areas of estate and gift planning, estate and trust administration, charitable planning, probate litigation and business succession planning. He assists individuals and families in planning and carrying out comprehensive gift strategies and estate plans to transfer and protect family wealth in a tax-efficient matter tailored to the client's wishes. In addition, Matt works with closely-held and family businesses assisting families in corporate governance and succession planning.

Matt also guides clients through the process of estate administration, helping to navigate complex estate, trust, tax and probate matters. He is experienced in the preparation of estate and gift tax returns, as well as fiduciary income tax returns.

Background

Prior to joining the firm as an associate in 2008, Matt clerked with Rackemann, Sawyer & Brewster for a year and worked as a Title Examiner for Connolly Title Services and as a clerk for the law firm of Gold, Albanese and Barletti while attending law school.

Honors & Awards

- Massachusetts Super Lawyer "Rising Star" 2019

Professional Activities

- Member, Boston Estate Planning Council
- Member, City Professional Advisors